

Nixon, Kissinger and Katyn

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ON THE EVE of President Nixon's pathetic pilgrimage to the communist capital of the world, Congressman Edward J. Derwinski of Illinois inserted in the *Congressional Record* (March 29, 1972) details regarding one of the most heinous crimes in world history. A crime committed on order of Josef Stalin, the communist caliph in Moscow.

Although it is 29 years since the discovery of the Katyn Forest massacre with irrefutable proof that it was a Soviet crime, our government has stubbornly refused to make that charge against the murderers.

Congressman Derwinski told the House of Representatives that "eventually most of the individuals who committed crimes of genocide during the Nazi period were brought to justice. This is not the case with the Communists who murdered approximately 15,000 Polish officers."

It may seem redundant to again cite that crime of the Moscow moguls, but millions of our younger generation are not familiar with the facts.

On September 1, 1939, the Hitler forces, then in alliance with the Soviet Union, invaded Poland. In a matter of days a free Poland ceased to exist. Nor has there been a free Poland since. A quarter of a million Polish military officers plus scores of teachers and intellectuals were incarcerated in Soviet prison camps. In March of the following year Stalin ordered Lavrenti Beria, head of the Soviet secret police, to "liquidate" the Polish officers.

The then Polish ambassador in Washington, Jan Ciechanowski, is on record as having given our State Department and President Roosevelt, in July 1941, positive proof of the inhumanities and deportations that were carried out by the Russians in Poland following their occupation of that country in 1939. The Polish ambassador sought Roosevelt's aid to halt Soviet barbarisms in Poland. All Ciechanowski received from Roosevelt was the comment: "It seems hopeless to get the Soviet to change their methods."

Mass Graves Discovered

On April 13, 1943 the German radio told the world that several mass graves had been discovered in the Katyn Forest near Smolensk, Russia. After 155 of the bodies were identified as Polish army officers, the German officials asked neutral newsmen, physicians, Red Cross representatives and others to come to Katyn and make their own inspection.

Each of the Polish officers had been shot through the back of the head with a pistol, many of the victims having



their hands tied behind their backs. This was the greatest mass execution of prisoners during all of World War II.

Were these irrefutable truths driven into the minds of our people? They were not. Had it been a German crime our newspapers would have had pictures of the gruesome atrocity. Radio commentators would have broadcast lengthy reports on the discovery of the bodies. But it was a Soviet-communist crime. That meant that our people must not be told the sordid details.

It is an appropriate time again to focus attention on that appalling mass murder, just when our communist-conciliating President is blatantly currying favor with the Kremlin whose policy of extermination of political dissidents continues to this day, particularly in the Ukraine and Baltic states.

We may be sure that Mr. Nixon remembered to forget about those barbarisms when palavering with the grand sachems of the communist cult in Moscow. It is ironic to recall that a California Congressman, Richard M. Nixon, garnered generous national publicity over two decades ago as a militant crusader against communists and their fellow travelers in this country. How he has changed.

American Officers View Bodies

But returning to Derwinski's timely citation of the Katyn massacre: two American Army officers, Lt. Col. Donald Stewart and Maj. John N. Van Vliet, who were German prisoners of war were flown to Katyn and joined the observers from neutral countries. On May 11, 1950 Van Vliet, who was then a Lt. Colonel, wrote his impressions of the Katyn horror:

"We followed our guide down into each grave, stepping on bodies that were piled like cordwood, usually face down, to a depth of five to seven bodies covered with about five feet of earth. All bodies have a bullet hole in the back

of the head. The Germans took motion pictures of us while we were inspecting the graves. Copies of still pictures were given us.

"It was with reluctance that I decided the Germans were not lying; the Russians did it." On October 11, 1951, Col. Stewart was questioned by the Select Committee of the House of Representatives, then probing the Katyn massacre. He estimated that 10,000 bodies, all Poles were in the three mass graves which the Germans had opened. "I can never forget," testified Stewart, "that those men were killed by the Russians while they were prisoners of the Russians." There were seven more mass grave which the Germans had not opened at that time.

The indelible record shows that Van Vliet and Stewart were hurriedly brought back to this country at the end of hostilities and ordered to make a report on Katyn to Maj. Gen. Clayton Bissel in the Intelligence Department of the Pentagon. This was done on May 22, 1945. These reports mysteriously disappeared. The pro-Soviet contingent in the Washington administration at that time and still today suppresses anything which tends to verify the atrocities of Soviet Russia.

Another who aided in suppressing the Soviet guilt of the Katyn crime was the late Sir Winston Churchill. In his book, *Hinge of Fate*, he asserts that at the Nuremberg trial the massacre of those Poles was mentioned but the victorious governments decided that "the issue should be avoided and the crime of Katyn was never probed in detail." Churchill tries to absolve the Soviet because he had supported Stalin's lie at the time the massacre was discovered. Churchill even found it politically expedient to wine and dine with that Moscow murderer, in company with Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The record must show that the festering canker of communist conspiracy, so evident in Eastern and Central Europe

is the inevitable aftermath of the aid to Soviet designs that was given by the Roosevelt and Truman administrations. Let us look at the record. It is stipulated in the Potsdam Agreement that the German territories beyond the Oder-Neisse line were to be *administered* by the Polish communist government but they were not to be "annexed" to Poland.

It is also stipulated in the pre-armistice agreement of the United States, Britain and the Soviet that the borders of Germany were to be those "as existing on December 31, 1937."

Because of the persistent policy of our Washington administrations never to take any positive position which conflicts with Soviet-communist claims or territorial acquisitions, the vivisection of

Germany has been permitted to continue as the primary cause of all the problems in Europe.

Our loquacious leftists, also many of the verbose neo-righteous political misfits, prate about and proclaim the principle of self-determination and self-rule by all people in the world, except, of course, the Czechs, Slovaks, Hungarians, people in the Baltic states and the millions of Germans in the Soviet-occupied part of their country.

Anyone with the mentality of a moron knows that the Kissinger-Nixon trek to the capital of the communist cult will avail exactly nothing for the remnants of the free world. Quoting the late unlamented Franklin D. Roosevelt: "It seems hopeless to get the Soviet to change their methods."



LEGAL versus LAWFUL

BY LUCILLE E. MORAN

A FRIEND, who is a nationally known figure, recently described herself to me as a *Loyal American*. While that might seem to be about as nice a thing as anyone could say about oneself without being objectionable, I nonetheless took exception for several reasons. Foremost among them was that Marion (that's not her real name) had phrased her remark to insinuate that while her "loyalty" was in great shape that mine wasn't quite up to snuff.

After I had let her state her case at

some length, I opened my defense in her own words by describing myself as a *Loyal American*, since I am known as one who stands up for myself and my principles and have no trouble spotting the ways people will try insulting others by word or deed. I was not angered by Marion's pious self-appraisal for I have never accepted her political premises anyway and have therefore known that this situation left no room for argument between us. Instead, I used her attempt to insult me as an invitation to adjust her off-target reasoning.